

REQUESTING TEST ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE NPTE

Qualified Applicants

The ADA defines an individual with a disability as a person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a “major life activity”; has a record of such impairment, or is regarded as having such impairment. “Major life activities” include functions such as caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working. A “qualified” individual with a disability is one who meets the essential eligibility requirements for the exam. The Board will consider a request for testing accommodation from a qualified applicant who has taken the exam previously without a testing accommodation if the documentation requirements are met.

Individuals with temporary conditions such as pregnancy, sprains or fractures, which are not disabilities as defined by the ADA, are not eligible for testing accommodations.

Requesting an Accommodation

- The applicant must submit the required documentation prior to the Board’s approval of the applicant’s registration for the national exam.
- The required documentation includes: Request for Accommodation form; the Consent to Release Information form; and the Professional Documentation of Disability Form completed by the licensed health professional who tested the applicant for the disability. That diagnostician must include adequate information on tests and measures used to diagnose the disability, and the results of those tests and measures.
[Forms Packet](#)
(pdf)
- The Board will review the request only after receiving all of the required documentation.
- If the applicant has more than one disability for which he/she is seeking accommodation, separate documentation is required for each disability.
- Review of the request takes approximately one week. An incomplete or inaccurate application will require additional information and review by the Board.

